

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Petition(s) for Special Leave to Appeal (Cr1.) No(s). 2374/2021

(Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 03-11-2020 in CMP No. 5178/2020 in CRLA No.18/2019 passed by the High Court of Judicature at Madras)

THAMEEM ANWAR

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

STATE BY THE INTELLIGENCE OFFICER

Respondent(s)

(FOR ADMISSION and I.R.)

Date : 22-03-2021 This petition was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VINEET SARAN
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJIV KHANNA

For Petitioner(s) Ms. Payoshi Roy, Adv.
Mr. K. Paari Vendhan, AOR

For Respondent(s)

UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following
O R D E R

Heard learned counsel for the petitioner.

The petitioner has approached this Court against an order rejecting the suspension of sentence and bail application filed by the petitioner under the provisions of Narcotic Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985. While rejecting the application for suspension of sentence and bail, the High Court has observed in the impugned order that the Court was ready to take up the case for final disposal even if it was by video conferencing.

In view of the aforesaid facts and circumstances of this case that the High Court is inclined to finally dispose of the matter even through video conferencing, we dispose of this petition with the observation that the petitioner may approach the High court for early disposal of the case and the High Court shall proceed to decide the matter as expeditiously as possible, preferably within six weeks from filing of such an application for early hearing.

It is further left open to the petitioner to file a fresh application for bail, in case the appeal is not decided by the High Court within the aforesaid period of six weeks.

It is made clear that the petitioner shall not seek any adjournment before the High Court.

The Special Leave Petition is disposed of in terms afore-stated.

Pending application, if any, shall also stand disposed of.

(ANITA MALHOTRA)
COURT MASTER

(KAMLESH RAWAT)
COURT MASTER